

The Consumer Bankers Association (CBA) has chosen to challenge Indiana's Telephone Privacy law in a proceeding before the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). The CBA is attempting to impose the federal "established business relationship" exemption on Indiana consumers. If successful, anybody that one currently have a business relationship with (e.g., bank, credit card company, long distance carrier) will be able to call as often as they want. Over an eighteen month period, that could translate to over 800,000,000 more unwanted phone calls to Indiana residents.

Let me stress, I am absolutely oposed to any change in Indiana's telephone privacy law. It functions very well in preserving citizens' privacy and the tranquility in their homes.